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VIA HAND DELIVERY

Mr. Paul Baker, Minerals Program Manager Division of Oil, Gas & Mining Utah Department of Natural Resources P.O. Box 145801 Salt Lake City, Utah 84114 - 5801

Subject: M/035/002

Notice of Growth Media Salvage Activity

Dear Mr. Baker:

Per our November 1, 2010 conversation, isolated pockets of previously undisturbed vegetation / soil exist within the existing Bingham Canyon Mine disturbed area. These areas are scheduled for future mining activity and timing is such that growth media salvage is desirable at this time on approximately as much as 79 acres; however KUC has targeted 47 acres with a slope of 30° or less as being readily salvageable based upon equipment limitations and safety considerations.

These isolated pockets are identified on the following documents:

- KUC-BCM Isolated Growth Media Salvage Areas Aerial 20101203
- KUC-BCM Drawing 454T0390 Rev 2 With Mining Isolated Growth Media Salvage Areas Indicated 20101203

Kennecott has completed a wildlife and vegetation species inventory, cultural survey, and soil survey for these areas. No species of concern are present, no cultural features were observed, and final reports are pending. KUC will clear vegetation and salvage growth media in concert with existing practices. These isolated pocket areas will also be accounted for in the 2010 Form MR-AR as well as the final 2010 Q4 KUC Reclamation Quarterly Report.

Please contact Zeb Kenyon (801-569-6035) should you have any questions concerning this submittal.

Thank you and your staff for your continued cooperation.

Regards,

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Leslie Heppler (DOGM) CC:

DIV. OF OIL, GAS & MINING

2009 RECLAIMATION ACTIVITIES

LOCATION OF 2009 RECLAMATION ACTIVITIES

APPROXIMATE CODE 22 REGRADED WASTE ROCK FOOTPRINT

APPROXIMATE CODE 22 WASTE ROCK FOOTPRINT APPROXIMATE LOCATION OF COPPER NOTCH

AREAS THAT HAVE BEEN RECONTOURED, CAPPED AND REVEGETATED APPROXIMATE LOCATION OF SALVAGED SOIL/ GROWTH MEDIA STOCKPILE

AREAS WHERE NO FUTHER ACTION IS CURRENTLY PLANNED

AREAS TO BE RECONTOURED (PORTIONS MAY BE REVEGETATED DEPENDING ON RESULTS OF CLOSURE SOIL GEOCHEMISTRY)

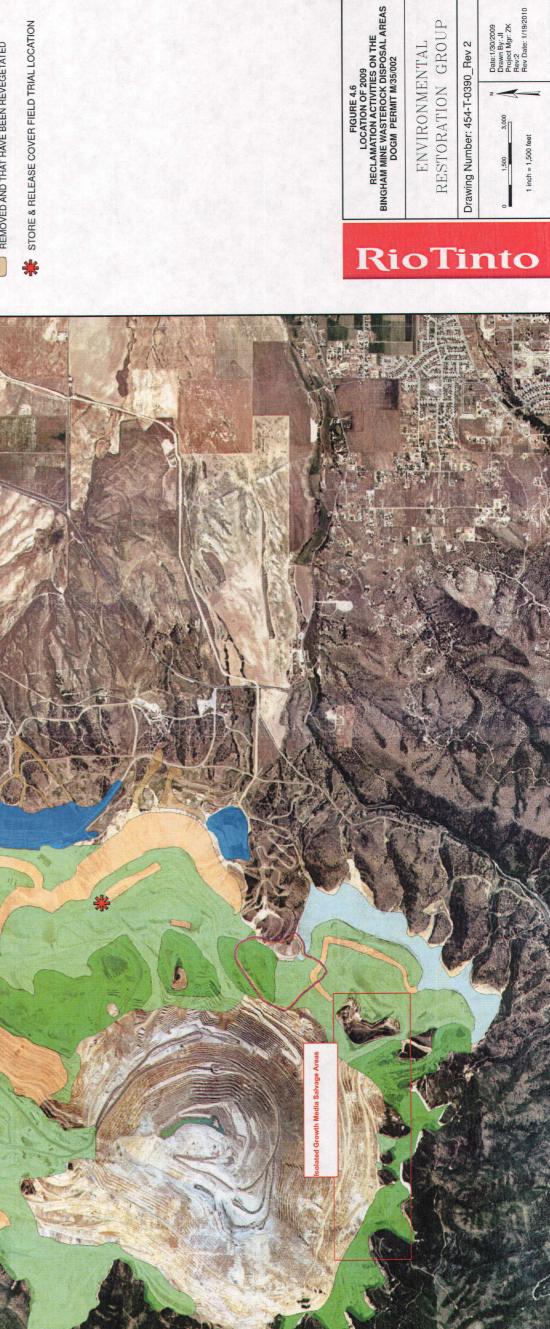
AREAS TO BE RECONTOURED AND REVEGETATED

AREAS TO BE RECONTOURED, CAPPED AND REVEGETATED

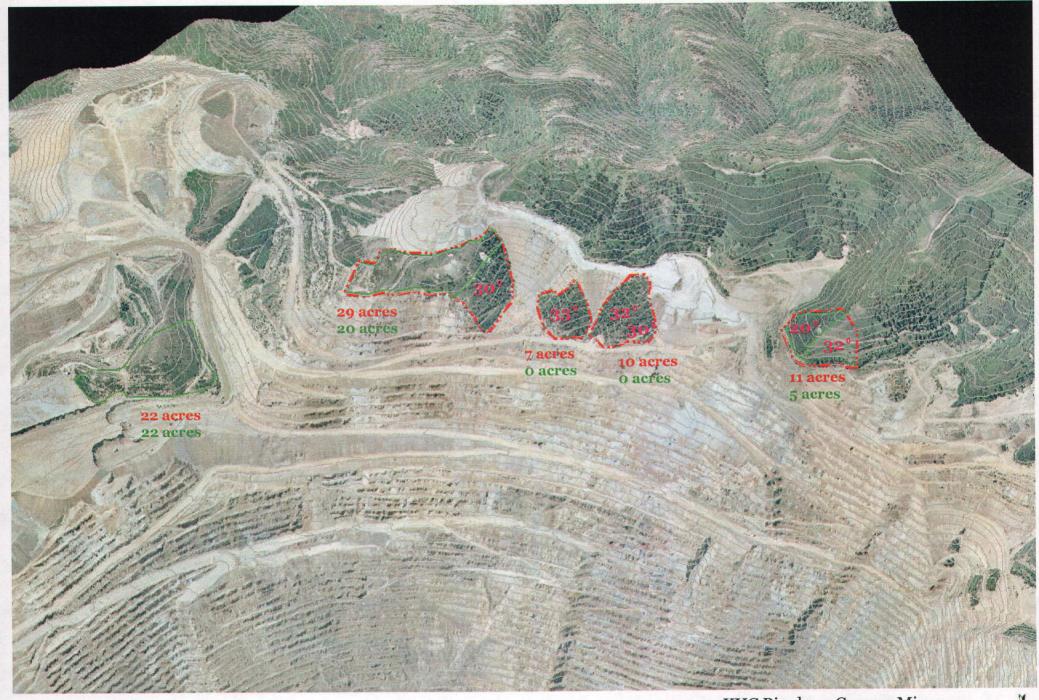
AREAS TO UNDERGO SLOPE STABILIZATION STUDY (ANGLE OF REPOSE SLOPES IN TRIBUTARY DRAINAGES TO B.F. CREEK)

AREAS WHERE ALL WASTE ROCK HAS BEEN REMOVED AND THAT HAVE BEEN REVEGETATED

STORE & RELEASE COVER FIELD TRIAL LOCATION



ENVIRONMENTAL



-··-Disturbance Acres = 79
---Growth Media Salvage Acres = 47
??° Slope

KUC Bingham Canyon Mine Isolated Growth Media Salvage Areas 2010-12-03

